High-Power, High-Efficiency 1.907nm Diode Lasers, Phase II



Completed Technology Project (2006 - 2008)

Project Introduction

nLight developed high-power, high-efficiency laser diodes emitting at 1907nm for the pumping of solid-state lasers during the Phase I. The innovation brought to bear at 19-xxnm wavelengths nLight's design knowledge and experience from its highly successful 9xx-nm and 14xx-nm, high-efficiency and high-power laser diode programs. The expected performance for the laser at the conclusion of the phase I was 25% electrical-to-optical (E/O) conversion efficiency and 18 W continuous-wave power (CW) - both measured at 15C. The program was highly successful in achieving performance of 25W and 23% efficiency at 20C (5C warmer than projection). Such lasers meet the brightness and power requirements for the direct pumping of the quasi 4-level 5I7 to 5I8 transition in singly-doped Ho:YAG lasers. This work can readily be extended to 18xx-nm and 20xx-nm with comparable performance for application to the pumping of other solid-state lasers.

Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



Organizations Performing Work	Role	Туре	Location
Langley Research	Lead	NASA	Hampton,
Center(LaRC)	Organization	Center	Virginia
nLight Photonics	Supporting	Industry	Vancouver,
Corporation	Organization		Washington



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Organizational Responsibility

Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

Lead Center / Facility:

Langley Research Center (LaRC)

Responsible Program:

Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Tech Transfer



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Virginia	Washington

Project Management

Program Director:

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Technology Areas

Primary:

- TX08 Sensors and Instruments
 - └─ TX08.1 Remote Sensing Instruments/Sensors
 └─ TX08.1.5 Lasers

